

1 AUGUST 4, 1866.

POULTRY AND PIGEONS.

FORTHCOMING POULTRY AND BIRD SHOWS.

CLITHEROE.—Aug. 4. Hon. Secs, Messrs. Lambert and Young. Entries close Aug. 15.
 HALIFAX.—Aug. 24 and 25. Horses, Sheep, Pigs, Poultry, and Dead Stock. Sec., Mr. W. Irvine. Entries close Aug. 11.
 HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARDS.—Latter end of August. Chickens of 1852. Hon. Sec., Mr. W. Lavery, St. Leonards.
 STOCKPORT-OR-TREX (Cleveland Agricultural Society).—Sept. 19 and 20. Horses, Poultry, Farm and Dairy Produce. Sec., Mr. H. J. Curry. Entries close Aug. 29.
 OSWESTRY.—Oct. 5. Sec., Mr. J. Hiles.
 LONG SUTTON.—Oct. 10. Hon. Secs, Mr. George Clarke. Entries close September 22.
 CHELSEA.—Oct. 16 and 17. Hon. Secs, Messrs. Fred. H. Meggs and T. J. Saltmarsh, Chelmsford.
 SOUTHAMPTON (Hampshire Ornithological Society).—Oct. 23 to 25. Poultry, Pigeons, and Cage Birds. Hon. Sec., Mr. T. Warren, Ouslow-road.
 IPSWICH.—Nov. 6 and 7. Hon. Secs, Mr. W. B. Jeffries and Mr. G. Dale. New Showmen.—Nov. 12 to 15. Poultry, Pigeons, and Canaries. Hon. Sec., Mr. C. Cook.
 BIRMINGHAM.—Dec. 1 to 6. Sec., Mr. J. B. Lythall.
 WHITEHAVEN (Cumberland and North of England Society).—Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits, and Cage Birds. Dec. 11, 12, and 13. Hon. Sec., Mr. Edward Fearon, Whitehaven.
 LIVERPOOL.—Dec. 20 and 21. Poultry, Pigeons, and Cage Birds. Hon. Sec., Mr. J. C. Cooper. Entries close Nov. 29.
 GLASGOW (North British Columbian).—Dec. 20 and 21. Pigeons. Hon. Sec., Mr. James Ruthven, 51, Buchanan-street. Entries close Dec. 4.

REARING GOLD AND SILVER PHEASANTS.

The following admirable article on this subject by a high practical authority is from the *Poultry Chronicle*:—
 There are certainly no varieties of our domestic poultry so beautifully resplendent in the feather as those above named, and as the writer has kept them many years with success a few hints may, at least to some

be very considerable, even in the interval of a few minutes), I would not advise anyone to place such valuable pheasants in an exposed situation till thus provided with a proper security. As these birds are always valued for their beauty, as well as the comparative ease with which they may be reared, it will add considerably to the perfection of their plumage to place a sufficiency of perches for their accommodation; not spare and thin ones, but the best are made of deal spars about an inch and a half square, the sharp edges being taken off with a plane. This will prevent their tails rubbing, and whether intended for attraction or sale, add not a little to their value.

In selecting the brood stock, a cock with four or even five hens will be a fair proportion; but always bear in mind the eggs laid to a young cock (of either the gold or silver pheasants) the spring following the year in which he was hatched will be unproductive until he has assumed the adult plumage, and this takes place when about a twelvemonth old. I always prefer a cock bird of the second year, and hence too (simply because they then lay far more eggs), but the eggs of pullets of the preceding year are productive with a male, as above stated. The young hens will only lay ten or twelve eggs in a season, but the older birds when carefully managed will frequently lay thirty to forty eggs in the same period. These eggs require a longer incubation than those of common fowls, as they generally hatch on the twenty-fourth day, though I have repeatedly known them continue in the shell a day longer; therefore, if desirous of rearing a chicken or two with them (to insure greater familiarity), the fowls' eggs must be deposited accordingly, as nothing tends so easily to unsettle a hen at hatching time as some portion of her chicks coming a day or so previously to the remainder, and often leads to the most obstinate desertion of her nest.

I would suggest that all eggs should be at once removed from both golden and silver pheasants directly they are laid; the latter being especially inclined to peck and eat them the moment they are produced. The best remedy I know is to procure half a dozen artificial eggs, and let them lie about always, and then the birds, seeing them constantly, regard them less. This will be found quite as useful in respect to fowls that eat their eggs, and is the most effective plan I myself am

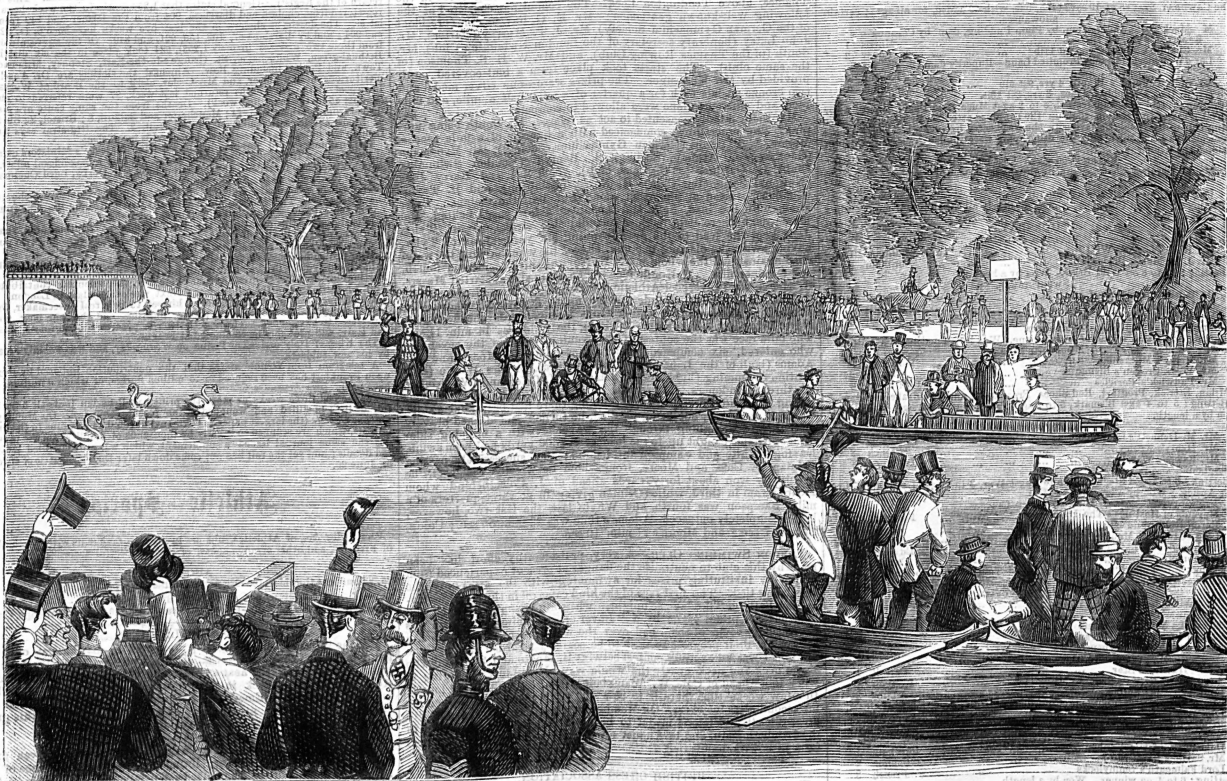
SWIMMING.

MATCHES TO COME.

- 4.—London Swimming Club—Race in the Serpentine for the Amateurs' Silver Cup.
 7.—Alexandra Rowing Club, River Lea—100 yards.
 8.—National Swimming Club—open to all amateurs, 600 yards, in the Serpentine, seven a.m.

HOLLINGWORTH LAKE.

Saturday last was fixed for the grand swimming gala promoted by the celebrated Professor Poulton, the worthy host of the Griffin Inn, Upper Medcock-street, Hulme, Manchester; but in consequence of the unfavourable state of the weather it was postponed till this day (Saturday). There was a band of music, an efficient staff of officials, and ample arrangements for carrying out the gala most successfully, but the high wind and pelting rain put a damper on the affair. Notwithstanding the loss sustained by the amphibious "Professor," he liberally gave some prizes to be competed for in an off-hand hand-pick, distance 200 yards, for which twenty competitors enrolled their names. These were classed in four lots, with the following result:—Heat 1: J. Blackstock, 6 seconds start, first; T. Shaw, 20, and Wigglesworth, 20, distanced. Won easily. Heat 2: H. G. Dunlop, 3, first; Bink, 18; Meskin, 20. Won easily. Heat 3: E. Schofield, 4, first; Shaw, 18; and Elliott, 20. Won easily. For heat four no competitors appeared. For the deciding heat 5 to 4 was laid, against Dunlop, 3 to 1 against Schofield, and 5 to 1 against Blackstock. Schofield soon showed in front, but before reaching the buoy pulled up, when Dunlop took the lead, hotly pursued by Blackstock. In this way the men rounded the buoy home Dunlop leading, when Schofield most deliberately swam before him and several times fouled Dunlop. The latter, however, forged ahead and won by 15 yards; Blackstock being second, and Schofield disqualified. The water was fearfully lumpy and hard-going. The Professor acted as referee, and Mr. George Haslam, of Manchester, fulfilled the duties of starter.



SWIMMING MATCH IN THE SERPENTINE.

"beginners," be acceptable. They may with proper care be reared perfectly tame, but have always a decided tendency to be a good deal alarmed at the sudden appearance of a strange dog, cat, or even an individual; for which reason only I think it quite advisable they should be penned if allowed an out of door run, lest they may be tempted to fly away, or on to the surrounding buildings; for, unlike common poultry, they are only tempted to return with great difficulty, and the moment they get from their accustomed range soon as wild and uncontrollable as birds reared at large in a state of nature. As this can be easily managed without the slightest detriment to the appearance of the bird, it may save a great deal of trouble and vexation to keep this rule invariably. I admit I have known many kept for years in walled yards without loss or even accident; but this is decidedly the exception to the general rule. Let it, for always be kept in mind, in handling pheasants (or feathered game of any kind) never to lay hold of the legs or by a wing, for an injury is certain to ensue; but take up the bird with both hands tightly round the body over the wings. This is the only safe way of capture, and then they may be taken about without any injury at all, either to their plumage or themselves.

I would myself advise aviaries for their accommodation covered in entirely from the rain, as nothing tends so much to keep them in perfect feather; and then it will not be by any means difficult to guard them against another great annoyance—viz, cats prowling about during the night and at twilight. From this cause numbers of pheasants in either kind have been destroyed, not from an actual hurt received from the cat herself, but from the birds, in their fright and consternation, flying furiously against the roof or the wirework, and literally scaping themselves. All this may be prevented by letting a "tar-sheet" be fixed closely every night, to cover the whole of the den, rain working the sandal floor and causing damp (producing rheumatism in the inmates), and by being opaque prevents the shadow of cats passing being seen; for invariably if they see cats at night the birds will fly, and thus seriously damage themselves. I found simple canvas for this purpose of no use whatever, being so translucent that the greatest danger is to be feared, for on these occasions the cats come very long distances, attracted no doubt by scent, and when they have once found your birds they will be sure to pay them almost nightly visits, as they appear to follow them with greater avidity than any other birds. As certainly of trifling expense at the outset is far preferable to the danger of neglect and the losses it occasions afterwards (that may

be aware of. These kinds of pheasants are raised in confinement much more easily than the common pheasant of our preserves, the young growing with incredible rapidity if well and frequently fed on curds, boiled eggs, good old cheese—all chopped fine—and mixed with bruised hemp and canary seed. The maggot produced in flesh from the blue fly (that annoys our larders so sadly in summer time) will tend very greatly to their rapid improvement. I am perfectly aware that ants are preferable, but when these are not available in your locality this will be found an excellent substitute, and should be given daily till the pullets are somewhat considerably grown. Wheat, hemp, and barley are the best food for the old stock. It is somewhat singular that neither variety will agree comfortably with the common pheasants in a wood; notwithstanding I have frequently seen the hybrids produced between both these kinds and the common pheasant. Both are very beautiful of their kind, the half-bred golden being of a strikingly rich auburn, shading into every variety of gold colour; whilst "the pencillings" of the hybrid silver are not equalled by any of the gorgeous plumage we see in bird-skins from foreign climes. I have had opportunities of seeing them constantly for some years, but will add that such an offspring invariably was unproductive, and sought every possible opportunity to evince their pugnacity to all other birds confined with them. Both golden and silver pheasants will endure every severity of our climate. Some years since I sent some eggs of the latter, from which birds were hatched and turned loose in a large plantation; they bred freely the ensuing year, and well stocked the preserve, from which the year following some withdrew to a covert at some considerable distance, and driving away the common pheasant, took possession of the whole. Many were purposely shot the next winter, but proved by no means so well-flavoured an addition to our dinner-table as their less gaudy brethren. Some golden pheasants' eggs which I forwarded as a present to a friend whose preserves are among the largest in the kingdom, were last season (very early) hatched and turned loose; then began to show a decided aversion to their fellows of more sombre hue. The flesh of the golden is far preferable to that of the silver pheasant. The crest feathers and "the cow" (or neck feathers) are those so universally coveted by our fishermen, and are always saleable at high prices; for this reason a careful amateur will diligently look after them when shed by birds kept in an aviary.

A MATCH AT DRAUGHTS between Mr. Barrett, of Wakefield, and Mr. Harwood, of Ossett, for £5 a side, is to come off on Monday next at the Queen's Arms Inn, Thores, Wakefield.

PENZANCE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

The third annual swimming matches of this association came off on Wednesday, the 25th July, in front of the Western Esplanade. There were nine matches, for which there were fifty-one entries. The barge from which all the competitors started was moored just opposite the Royal Baths. First Match (open), distance 400 yards; for competitors 20 years of age and under; first prize £2, second prize £1.—Burridge (Plymouth), 1; Kuckley (Tyro), 2; winns, 7 min. Second Match (open), distance 200 yards; sixteen years and under; first prize £1 5s., second prize 10s.—Stevens (Penzance), 1; time, 4 min. 10 sec.; Corin (Penzance), 2. Third Match (open to all comers), distance 800 yards; first prize £3, second prize £2.—This was the great race of the day, and there were seven entries.—Mathews, Mitchell, son, and James (Penzance), Parker (Exeter), Jeffry and Butcher (Plymouth), and Thomas (Falmouth). The start was pretty even, but shortly Parker began to draw ahead, gradually leaving all the others. Mathews gave up after a short distance; Parker kept in front, followed by Jeffry, the others keeping well together. The race continued thus to the finish; Parker 1, 13 min.; Jeffry 2, 14 min. Fourth Match, race with clothes on (open), distance 150 yards; first prize £1, second prize 10s. Johns (Penzance), 1; Mitchell, son (Penzance), 2. Fifth Match, Challenge Cup, value £5, with £2 added; second man to receive £1. For amateurs of Penzance and neighbourhood; distance 1,000 yds.—There were four entries: Williams, Mitchell, jun., Hodge, and Ogan; but Hodge did not start. From the start it was seen that Mitchell was the strongest swimmer; he kept ahead throughout, and came in first (13 min.). Ogan second, and Williams (winner of the cup last year) third; but Ogan was disqualified for keeping on the wrong side of the 400 yds flag, and Williams took second prize.

Sixth Match.—Steeple chase over three bays; distance 300 yds. First prize £2, second £1. Parker (Exeter), 1; Jeffry (Plymouth), 2. Seventh Match.—Floating; distance 200 yds. First prize £1, second 10s. Jeffry (Plymouth), 1; Johns (Penzance), 2.

Eighth Match.—Diving. First prize £1, second 10s. Mitchell, son (Penzance), 1, 30 sec.; Mitchell, jun. (Penzance), 2. Ninth Match.—Consolation Stakes; distance 200 yds. First prize £1, second 10s. James (Penzance), 1; Uren (Penzance), 2. Several of the competitors having to leave by train, the prizes were given on board by the President, F. House, Esq. At six o'clock there was a dinner at the Queen's Hotel, when the challenge cup was presented to the winner. It was there filled with wine, and passed to the several gentlemen, who drank the health of the winner.

PEDESTRIANISM.

MATCHES TO COME.

AUGUST.

- 4-Pickup and Scott—300 yards, £10 a side, Scott to have seven yards start, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 4-Neary and Richards—330 yards, £25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester.
- 4-Schofield and Hall—50 yards, £12 to £10, Park Inn Grounds, Prestwich.
- 4-Archbold and Edgar—120 yards, £15 a side, Fenham Park Grounds, Newcastle.
- 4-Sharp and family—200 yards, £10 a side, Victoria Race Grounds, Leeds.
- 4-Unsworth and Rogers' 200 Yards Handicap, silver cup and money prizes, Ince Recreation Grounds.
- 6-Barnes and Sumner—100 yards, £25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester.
- 6-Nicholls and Thomas—120 yards, £10 a side, Nicholls to receive two yards start, Royal Oak Grounds, Burnt Tree, near Dudley.
- 6-Russell and Edwards—100 yards, £5 a side, Albion Grounds, Dudley-road, Wolverhampton.
- 6-Austin and Gold—330 yards, £20 a side, Austin to receive 15 yards start, Hackney Wick.
- 6-7-Mr. Keel's All England 250 Yards Handicap for silver cups and money prizes, Aston Cross Grounds, Birmingham.
- 11-Mr. Walden's 330 Yards Sweepstakes of £5, with £30 added, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 11-Mr. Garnett's All England 1,000 Yards Handicap, £25, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 11-Brierley and Barlow—150 yards, £25 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, Manchester.
- 13-Morris and Thomas—100 yards, £10 a side, Britannia Grounds, Tipton.
- 13, 14-Messrs. Mellor and Fox's 215 Yards Handicap, £35, Queen's Hotel Ground, Sheffield.
- 20-Aston and Nichols—120 yards, £10 a side, Royal Oak Grounds, near Dudley.
- 25-London Athletic Club—520 Yards Challenge Cup.
- 30-Bedford School Athletic Sports.

and completed his task with 21 seconds to the good. No objection was made by the backer of "the enemy" as to the style of going, and the following is the time of the various miles:—

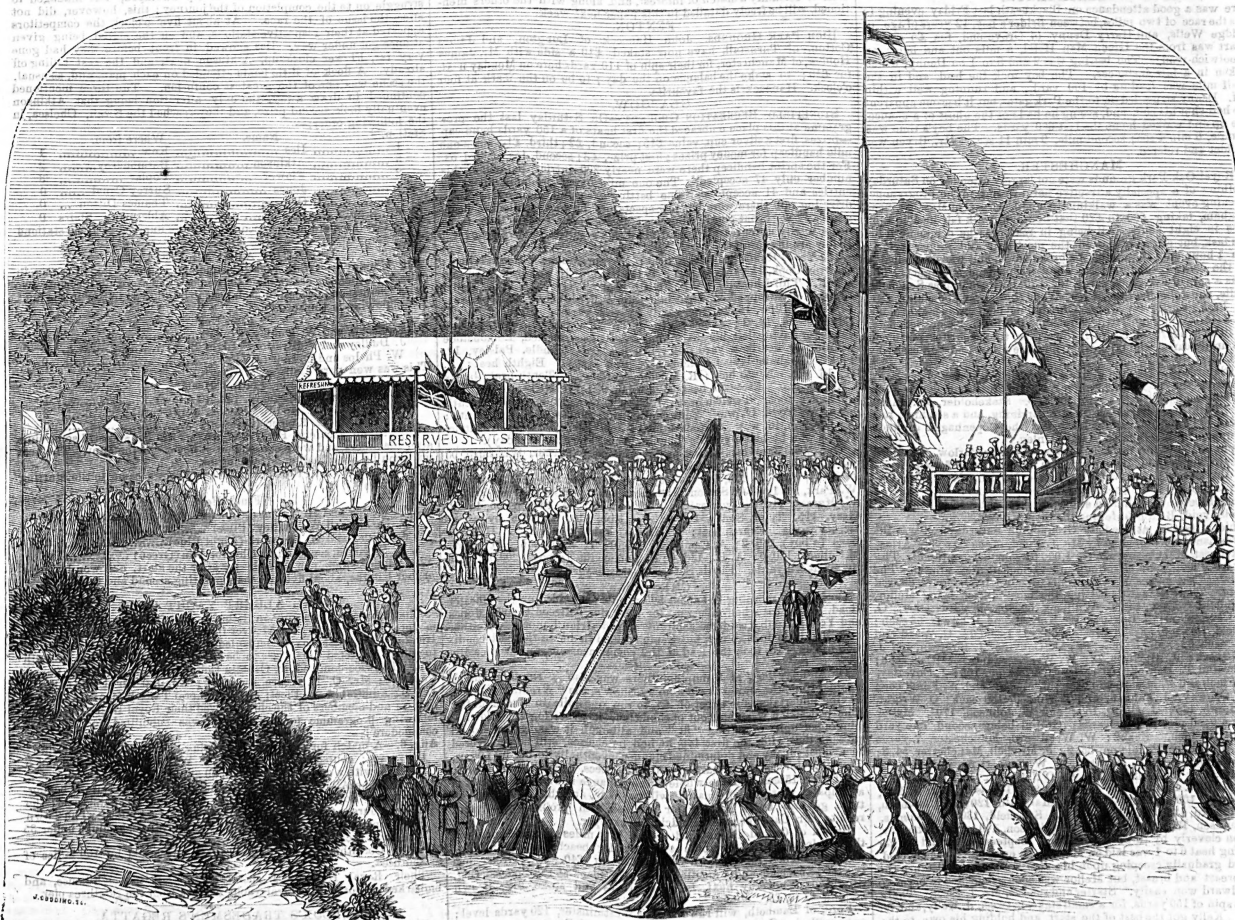
	min.	secs.
First mile	6	56
Second	11	30
Third	21	59
Fourth	29	28
Fifth	36	52
Sixth	44	26
Seventh	52	31
Eighth	62	39

The pedestrian was much exhausted at the conclusion of his labours.

HACKNEY WICK.—These grounds received a fair share of patronage this day from the "Bethnal-greeners," the fixture being a race between Henry Ray and George Davis, both of that locality, who met, according to articles, to run 410 yards for £50. A short time back Ray defeated Peppiatt at these grounds, for £10 a side, in a race of the same distance, and a match was made for Davis (under the name of Watson's man) to run him. The latter is about six and twenty years of age, weighs 8st 7lbs, and stands 5ft 6in high. He is well-known to the London foot racing fraternity from having run well up in many handicaps, and about three years ago "landed" one of the values of £10, but has never before been matched for a stake of any magnitude. He was trained on this occasion by Kelly, the East-end Black, and looked in very good fettle. Ray is six years younger than his opponent, and is a stout, muscular little fellow, as will be gathered from the fact of his standing but 5ft 2in high, and weighing 9st. His training has been done at the "Wick" under the care of J. Edwards, an old opponent. Mr. W. Price, the handicapper, having been appointed referee and starter, the men soon got ready and took the mark. Davis won the toss and took the inside post

eventually won by two feet. Fifth heat: J. Caton, Oakenshaw, 19, w.o. Sixth heat: W. Holthouse, Nottingham, 21, 1; A. Kelley, Wardley, 22, 2; won by one and a half yard. Seventh heat: T. Chance, Liverpool, 24, w.o. Eighth heat: J. Hitchin, Manchester, 17, 1; W. Airey, Oldham, 21, 2; Hitchin was first on his legs, and ultimately he won very easily by one and a half yard. Ninth heat: J. Mire, Norwich, 23, 1; Jos. Mellor, Sheffield, 24, 2. This heat caused a great deal of amusement by Mire (who, by the bye, looks like a very good fettle for his next performance) having to wait for the little "Admiral" once or twice on the road, Jen eventually going through the tape two yards in front. The proprietor acted as starter, and Mr. Goss, Canning as referee. During the evening the above winners were drawn in three heats, the following men coming together:—D. Richardson, W. Holthouse, and T. Chance; J. C. ton, P. Pilkington, and J. Mace; W. Browne, J. Hitchin, and D. Goodman. On Monday the final heat found the winner, by one yard, in W. Browne, D. Richardson being second, and J. Caton third.

BIRMINGHAM.—ASTON CROSS.—Young Brown and J. Slater, two Birmingham amateurs, met on Saturday, at these grounds to decide their 100 yards match for £5 a side. The attendance was pretty fair, and betting ran 4 to 3 in favour of Slater. A well-known pedestrian officiated as referee. A level start was effected, but after running about 60 yards, Slater took and ran in winner by two yards. J. Beckett and Chris. Moore met on Monday to walk their two mile match for £10 a side, Beckett receiving 30 yards start. They appeared in capital condition, Beckett was attended by the veteran Coleman, and Moore by Prosser. Mr. G. Harshorne was chosen referee, whom they had to pass 12 times and a distance of 136 yards to complete the two miles. Betting: 7 to 5 and 6 to 4 on Moore. The start was level in their respective positions, in the fourth lap Moore was within 4 yards of his opponent whom he closely followed till in the sixth lap he took the lead. In the eighth lap, Beckett passed Moore, who in the twelfth lap again took the lead, whilst Beckett finding



THE NATIONAL OLYMPIAN SOCIETY'S ATHLETIC SPORTS AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

- SEPTEMBER.
- 1-Whithead and Rollwell—200 yards, £25 a side, Whithead having five yards start, City Grounds, Manchester.
 - 19-Mole and Cobler Wood—153 yards, £25 a side, Wood having three yards start, Hyde Park Grounds, Sheffield.
- NOVEMBER.
- 24-London Athletic Club—Open Handicap.

BROMPTON.

On Saturday last these grounds were attended by a very small number of people, the only race of any interest being one of 120 yds. between Downing and Shepherd, two novices, for £5 a side. A good start was effected, and Downing won rather easily by 2 yds.

MONDAY.—Though this was the day set for Topley's match against time, he was undertaking for a bet of £50 to walk eight miles in one hour, the attendance was not by any means numerous, but interest being taken in the match by the general lovers of sport. George Topley has now been about three years prominently before the public, his first match of any account being with Dixon, whom he defeated easily. Wild, of Covent Garden, and Underwood, of Blackfriars, next had to succumb to his prowess, but for the following twelve months Topley was not heard of. About 18 months ago he walked seven miles and a half in the hour for a bet of £50 a side, and he has since defeated Miles, of Brixton, and been beaten by Stockwell in a match of four miles for £100, and by Spooner in a twenty-one miles match, for £50; the latter winning with the greatest ease. Topley has also completed the great Westhall feat of walking twenty-one miles in three hours, though the style of going was anything but orthodox. The betting on the present occasion was 6 to 4 on Time, but little money was invested. Mickey Walchold was umpire for Topley, Mr. Butler representing the backer of Time, and Mr. Moore being referee and timekeeper. On the signal being given Topley dashed off in his usual rapid, lively style, taking short strides and going altogether in a very different manner to that in which he walked the day on which he did the "seven-and-a-half" performance

and they were despatched to a very even start, neither having the slightest advantage, and for the first ten yards they ran shoulder to shoulder. Ray now spurred to the front, and took the inside place and coming down the straight for the first time was leading by two yards, going easy, while Davis was already distressed by the pace at which his antagonist was taking him. Ray forced the running up the hill, and increased his lead so much that Davis gave up quite pumped out about thirty yards from home, leaving Ray to finish at his leisure. A good bit of money changed hands on the result.

A match has been made between Coker, of Holloway, and Gay, of Bow, to run two miles for £10 a side, at these grounds, on September 8th, the match to be left open for £15 a side.

Young Oddy and Meadows are matched to walk here one mile for £5 a side, on Aug. 27.

LIVERPOOL.

STRAWBERRY HOTEL GROUND.—All-England Handicap, distance 150 yards; first prize, £20; second, £3; third, £2; given by Jean Macco proprietor. In consequence of the weather being so unfavourable to outdoor sports on Saturday, the attendance at this enclosure was not nearly so numerous as was anticipated to witness the preliminary heats of this handicap. Out of the sixty-four entries, twenty-six accepted, only five of whom were Liverpool men, the rest coming from various parts of the country. The heats were run as follows:—First heat: D. Goodman, Liverpool, 23 yards, 1; D. Thompson, Dewsbury, 18, 2; Goodman maintained the lead, and won a hard race by half a yard. Second heat: W. Browne, Manchester, 15, 1; R. Quille, Liverpool, 20, 2; S. Wild, Salford, 21, 3; Browne, who got off with a good start, won very easily by four yards, Quille beating Wild by one yard. Third heat: D. Richardson, Leeds, 20, 1; W. Forrest, Liverpool, 23, 2; Richardson won very easily by four yards. Fourth heat: P. Pilkington, Salford, 20, 1; J. Nuttall, Manchester, 14, 2; P. Trass, Liverpool, 24, 3; Nuttall obtained fully four yards at the start, and at half-way was at Pilkington's side; the remainder of the distance they ran shoulder to shoulder; Pilkington

victory hopeless retired from the contest. Moore did the distance in 16 minutes 50 seconds.

Young Abrahams and J. Clarke then appeared for their 300 yards spin for £10 a side. J. Simons took care of Abrahams, and C. Kimberly of Clarke. On peeling at the score the contrast between the competitors was remarkable, for whilst Clarke was tall and thin, Abrahams was fleshy and muscular. Mr. J. Goates was the appointed referee. The spectators were very numerous, and large amounts were invested beginning at 3 to 2 and ending at 4 to 1 on Clarke. After several attempts the start was effected slightly in favour of Abrahams, who immediately took the lead, and after a splendid race ran in winner by half a yard.

The 120 yards match between Howells, of Oldbury, and Simms, of Birmingham, for £10 a side, which was appointed for Monday, did not take place, Simms having forfeited his deposits.

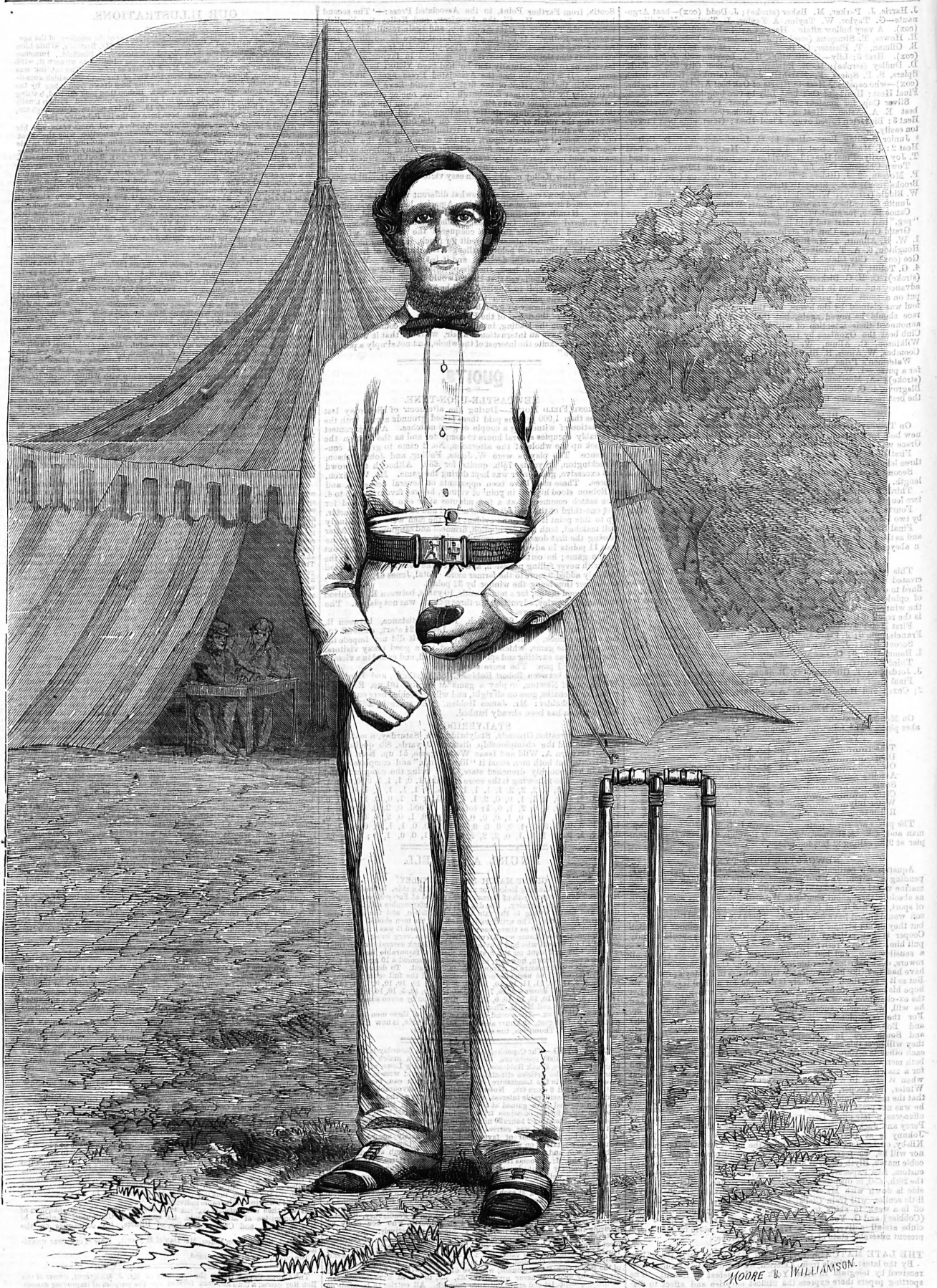
The three mile match, for £10 a side, between Sherwood, of Worcester, and Gurley, of Birmingham, which was appointed for Monday, failed from Gurley forfeiting.

Harry Keel's All-England 280 Yards Handicap for three silver cups will be run at these grounds on Monday and Tuesday next, August 6 and 7.

E. Dudley, of Stourbridge, and Wilcox, of Hill Top, are matched to run 100 yards, for £10 a side, Wilcox receiving two yards start, on Monday, August 13, at these grounds. Mr. Hawkins, of Wednesbury, referee. C. Mills, of Aston, and H. Gurley, of Birmingham, are matched to run a mile, for £10 a side, Gurley having 10 yards, to take place as above on Monday, August 20.

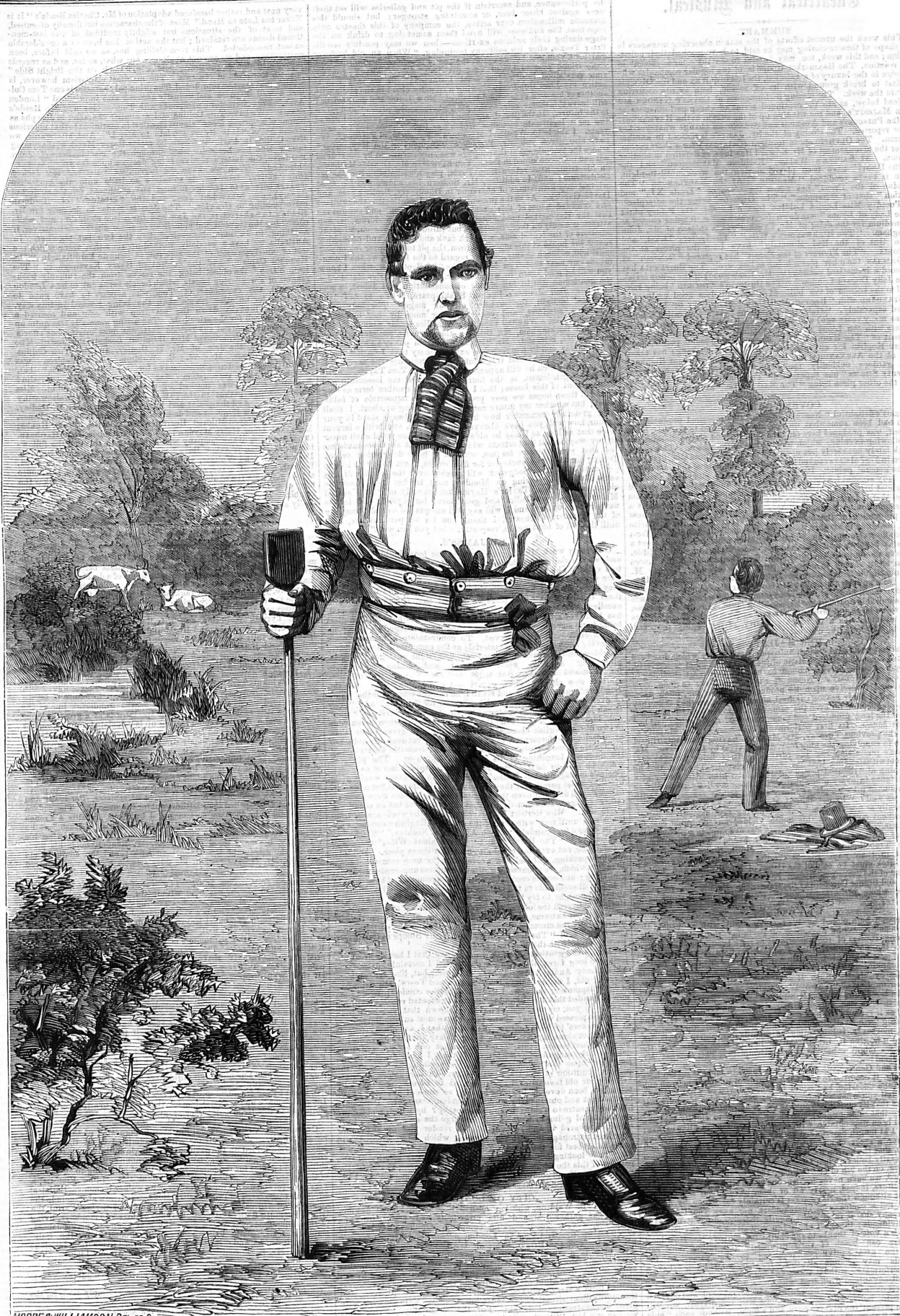
The veteran C. Hill will run Astine, of Oldbury, 160 yards and give him two yards start, for £10 a side, or run him 130 yards level for the same amount. Money at Owen's, Travellers Rest, Aston-road, Birmingham.

Chris. Moore will run H. Smalley from 2 to 7 miles, for £5 or £10 a side. Money at Mr. Tuck's, Brawny Tavern, Schofield-street, Birmingham.



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Theatrical and Musical.

SUMMARY.

This week the utmost efforts of the season observing managers in the shape of theatre closing may be said to have reached their culmination; and this week, too, may be said to see the commencement of the reaction. The Haymarket troupe, of the regular companies who indulge in the luxury of a vacation, the last to quit us, and the Olympic is first to break ground with its act, and here it has been stirring within the week. The closing performances at COVENT GARDEN are noticed below, as are the continued series of cheap performances at HER MAJESTY'S, and the winding up of the season at the HAYMARKET. At the PRINCESS'S and ADELPHI and STRAND no change whatever has to be reported. The closing of the Olympic is noticed in another column. The OLYMPIC goes to-night (Saturday), for a short season, under the management of Mr. Edward Hastings, as detailed in another column. At SADLER'S WELLS "Kathleen Mavourneen" and the "Bliss Dwell" have been played during the week until to-night, when it is to be produced "Macbeth." At the MAYLORNE "The Heroine of the Cross" has taken the place of "Louis XI," and "Ixion" that of "Sappho." "The Orphans" being the afterpiece. On Tuesday Miss Louisa Leidlau took a benefit. On Friday night "The Lady of Lyons" was down for presentation, it being chosen as the medium for the debut of Mr. Frank Belle, a stepson of Mr. John Brougham. "The Highwayman's Wife," "The Lottery Ticket," and "The Hut of the Red Mountain" have been the pieces at the VICTORIA. "The Flowers of the Forest" has replaced "Deborah" at the GRECIAN, the other pieces being as last week. The BRITANNIA has produced a dramatised version (by Mr. Hazlewood) of the penny serial, "The Jolly Dogs of London." "The Duetman's Treasure" being relegated to the bottom of the bill. "The City of Dreadful Night" is the STANDARD with "Begone Dull Care." The CITY OF DREADFUL NIGHT is noticed separately. "Galer the Trobadour" (as *Punch* called Elliott) ever so many years ago) and Miss Fanny Reeves have taken up their quarters with the Lions at the PAVILION. They give their entertainment of "The Lamented Mill," &c., and have the lion performances of Herr Kopinski for an interval. The theatre has taken the place of the ALEXANDRA, the attractions of the adjacent Highgate Barn gardens evidently rendering change as yet unnecessary. "Twenty Straws" has superseded "The Detective" at the EFFINGHAM, the other piece being "The Masked Man," as last week.

COVENT GARDEN.

Mozart's delightful "Nozze di Figaro," the promised production of which had been somewhat unaccountably deferred to the very latest moment, was produced here on Friday week, and played, besides, on the following evening, which was the last of the season. This opera, though lately not rarely put upon the stage, has from its first production in 1787, may be said to have been the most successful of the general public. Its highly entertaining story and brilliant music fully account for this. The production under notice was marked throughout by great efficiency. A slight disappointment accrued from the fact that the part of Susanna, in which Mr. Gye had promised us a new assumption of the title, was, in consequence of the lateness of the production of the opera, and the departure of the actress, assigned to another, to Mme. Lemmens-Sherrington in fact; but the admirable style in which the latter acquitted herself went a long way towards compensating for this disappointment. Mlle. Altot was an admirable Countess; and the Cherubino of Mlle. Lucca was an effort second to none in point of excellence. The M. Faure nor Signor Graziani are particularly well suited in Figaro and the Count, from an histrionic point of view; their rendering of the music allotted to them, however, was satisfactory. The second performance of this admirable opera, as we have said, brought the season to a close. There was a large attendance, and one of the most brilliant of the evening was a thoroughly hearty, as thoroughly deserved, tribute to Mr. Costa, the conductor.

HER MAJESTY'S.

With that wonderful though infrequent unanimity which has been remarked upon as a characteristic of the managerial mind collectively, both opera-houses, having chosen to neglect that most charming of comic operas, "The Highwayman's Wife," for ever so long, now simultaneously resolve upon its production. Both too, they show the flag end of their season: indeed, so unanimous are they that they show a predilection for even the same days. On Saturday last they only had the long promised and much neglected *chef d'œuvre*, but had it at both houses, with perfect performance, however, at Her Majesty's. On the previous Tuesday, Mr. Mapleson having been indisposed, Mr. Gye in supplying the long looked for revival by three days. Mr. Mapleson's production has the further merit of being brought forward, notwithstanding that the season is closed. The fact that he was playing at a reduced rate did not deter him. His tender of a rare efficiency in every other respect had been responded to by the reduced price people, and why should he not regulate them with novelty as well? Why not, indeed, Mr. Mapleson? The paying many are generally as good customers as the paying few, sometimes better. The excellent company of this house yielded an admirable cast for "Le Nozze." Mlle. Altot, who has been so completely a performance as any of the many we have had at her hands. The Cherubino of Madame Trebelli, and the Susanna of Mlle. Sinico were equally excellent in their way. Signor Gasser was a satisfactory Figaro, and the same must be said of the Count of Mr. Bentley, and, indeed, of the rest of the troupe. The Italian of Signor Bassi, Signor Bossi as Bartolo, and Signor Casabianca as the Gardener. Encores were frequent, and the whole performance was received with demonstrations of delight.

HAYMARKET.

The season here closed on Wednesday night with, as usual, the lesser benefit. "The Favourite of Fortune," the great and distinguishing success of the season, was played, and was received, owing to the unfortunate illness of Mr. Sothorn, "She Stoops to Conquer" was substituted. Mr. Buckstone playing his famous part of Tony Lumpkin. Other features of the performance were an interlude of singing by Messrs. Sims-Reeve and Weiss, and Mme. Weiss, and a vote of thanks to the chair—that is, my friend, as long as any theatre can boast of such prosperity the future only can decide; the great privileges proposed to be given to the music halls may change all this, for we well know that a dramatic performance without edibles and fluids must be at a considerable disadvantage compared with those establishments where a similar entertainment can be enjoyed with tobacco, alcohol, and devil kidneys. Still, ladies and gentlemen, we will not despair, we will continue to present the drama, pure and simple, without such aids to reflection; then, should we fail, we must see whether the ladies visiting the boxes of the Haymarket will object to a mild cigar during

the performance, and ascertain if the pit and galleries will set their faces against bitter beer, or something stronger; but should the dramatic millennium ever arrive, the company of this theatre only hope that the audiences will hand them something to drink on the stage during their arduous exertions—then we may possibly see Sir Peter Teazle, after his soliloquy beginning, "When an old bachelor married a young woman with a fortune, and she lived to him, and some friend near him, and hear Sir Peter say, 'Thank you, sir, your very good health—just what I wanted;'" or we may live to notice my Lord Dunderbore blowing a friendly cloud in the stalls with another of his own order—and intellect. Now, ladies and gentlemen, I will leave this subject to the next week, and go to the present, and go on to the future. In the past, I am proud to say, we have seen one of the most legitimate comedies which has been represented for some years. I allude to Westland Marston's "Favourite of Fortune." We have also given you Mr. Planché's "Orpheus in the Haymarket," where the smoothness of the couplet was only surpassed by the refined wit and point contained in them. You have seen Mr. Charles Mathews on his triumphant return from Paris, play his admirable Sir Charles Coldstream; and, in addition, Mr. Sothorn has shown you his most original representations of character in Dunderbore, Brother Sam, and David Garrick. As to the present, ladies and gentlemen, the brilliant and crowded house of this evening, which was the last of the season, that the Haymarket need never despair while its performances can attract, not only on these occasions, but throughout a season, so many admirers of the true drama, so much rank and fashion, and on looking round the house at this moment—from the pit to the upper regions—I must add, so much beauty. In regard to the future, we shall commence next season on Monday, when I know you will be glad again to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mathews—the gentleman still in full vigour of constitution and talent, whom to quote Ben Jonson's line on Shakespeare, I like to call "the applause, delight, the wonder of our stage." The lady, with her many admirers, and steadily gaining more by her heartiness and crowded house, which we have already spoken of, and a fervent hope that as long as I may be able to appear before you I shall never in any way forfeit that esteem which you have at all times made me feel that you entertain for me, whether I have deserved it or not. During our visit to Manchester for five weeks, I am happy to inform you that Miss Amy Sedgwick will preside over the fortunes of this establishment appearing on Monday next in her own admirable character in Tom Taylor's Haymarket comedy of "An Unequal Match." And now, ladies and gentlemen, for myself, and in the name of the popular, and I will say still unequalled comedy company of the Haymarket Theatre, I thank you for all past favours, and, until the end of next month, respectively bid you farewell.

ST. JAMES'S.

On Friday week Miss Herbert brought her long, highly interesting, and we are glad to say, highly remunerative season to a close. The various features of this season, which has in the main been devoted to legitimate comedy, have been duly noticed by us as they have come after the other developed themselves, and in reviewing them it affords us much pleasure to find that so much that was excellent, but, at the same time, must be confessed, experimental, has been so well rewarded with the success which we well doubt being in no small degree father to the thought—predicted as being no less certain than it was deserved. To congratulate a manager upon achieving success with such materials as the comedies of Shakespeare, Sheridan, and Goldsmith seemed at first almost analogous to complimenting a man who had been engaged in dressing well upon ten thousand a year. But it is not so. The season of Miss Herbert now closed was an experiment and nothing less. Let the London playgoer try back and recall if he can the when and the where of even such big works as "The School for Scandal," and "The Rivals" being put upon the stage of a theatre for a veritable run. Let him recall if he can the time and place where even two of the English classical comedies have been given other than as occasional performances, or to fill up the gap between the unlooked for failure of one elaborate and costly modern dramatic abortion and the laboured launching of its levianth successor. The playgoer won't be able to do it. He will only remember the well known Phelps's management at Sadler's Wells, which we grant would yield him the nearest parallel for the past season of Miss Herbert, but on examination he will find that even the legitimate revivals there were revivals rather of tragedy than comedy, and that the latter was but an occasional production. Miss Herbert has placed through the whole season upon Christmas, until now with five of the standard English comedies, viz., "The School for Scandal," "Much Ado About Nothing," "She Stoops to Conquer," "The Rivals," and "The Jealous Wife" and these, nothing more, not even the usual attractive Christmas piece. And this, roughly speaking, will yield an average run for each comedy of some 40 nights, which, we maintain, is a most extraordinary and gratifying; and one as creditable to the management that has achieved it as it is discreditable to the managers who have not had the faith and the foresight to try for it. On the last night of the season Miss Herbert delivered the following address. It is, as our readers will see, jubilant in the extreme, and it appears to us, not more so than is warranted by the circumstances. It is, as we have said, a performance (the comedies of "The Jealous Wife" and "She Stoops to Conquer") were received with the heartiest applause.

"Ladies and gentlemen,—Allow me to say that I have a great objection to long faces, although at one period I certainly drew them when Lady Audley's Beauty, my first play, was played. But I firmly believe that 'Smile is the portion of life's happiness; therefore I have sought the comic Muse, and am now persuaded that I was right by the unprecedented success bestowed upon by you, my patrons. You have shown that you have been more than pleased with us; at any rate, I have most substantial reasons for my belief in that. Knowing that I am among friends who will not abuse my confidence, I beg to say that we have had a very excellent season; this, of course, raises our spirits, and I am consequently sanguine for the future. I trust I have proved to you that I act upon the principle of doing everything as well as the condition of the stage will permit. I firmly believe your old favourites have increased in favour; and that new talent has been developed is most certain, as some of our corps have been sought and obtained by another London manager. I can only liken my theatre to a ship; is she sea-worthy? by which I mean are we worthy of going to sea? I will not urge the question; you have already answered it, and I have only to render you thanks for your kind patronage through two seasons, which I feel assured will prove an earnest for the third. You will find, as the sailors say, I have been looking out ahead for an entertainment worthy of the patrons of this theatre, who I trust will again rally round me. In the meantime, my friends, I have so well supported me, I bid you farewell until September next."

CITY OF LONDON.

Mr. W. R. Waldron, who has opened this house for an autumn season, has gathered around him, principally, as it seems, from the provinces, a very good working company. On Saturday last was produced for the first time in London a "new and original drama," called "Look on the Bright Side," by Mr. Better Lyle the Newcomer. The piece is a sensation piece, and as such is well constructed, and interesting. More than this, it must be pronounced a success, in that sense of the word which indicates that it was well received by the audience. On the night of its production the expressions of approval uttered from a large audience were fewer now far between, and the most ardent situations and sensations "affected" were received with great demonstrations of delight. For the "originality" of the drama we can say but little, though we might say even less. We might be said to say "stolen," but we prefer to be complacent and say instead "adapted from Mr. Charles Reade." The piece is indeed a

very neat and rather barbed adaptation of Mr. Charles Reade's "It is Never too Late to Mend." Most of the characters but three, I think, and most of the situations but slightly modified, of the considerable mentioned drama are retained; but the action has been to a considerable extent re-modelled. This re-modelling has, as we said before, been neatly done, and we are not at all sure but what, so far, and as regards the general effect of the drama given, it is a good deal better than the original. The most manifest plagiarism, however, is a thing that must be reprobated. The principal character is one Tom Collins, a well disposed and unjustly accused and imprisoned "London Arab." This character corresponds with Tom Robinson of Mr. Reade's drama. We have Tom Collins and a young man named Joseph, the hero of a "private scene" almost identical in sentiment to that notorious second act of "It is Never too Late to Mend." And, afterwards, we have Collins in Australia where he meets Harry Maydow, the young farmer who has been banished through the machinations of John Hardman, the latter's motive being designs upon the young farmer's betrothed. Here we have the ingenious "native," also Jacky (this "native," however, is somehow so little unto the Australian manner born as to indulge in song and sentiment on the subject of slavery), the benevolent Jew, and the "creature" of Hardman corresponding to Crawley. The Jew is made to do duty for Mr. Reade's two characters, the Jew and the prison chaplain; and while combining the several individualities of those characters contrives, if anything, to be more benevolent than the two put together. In Australia we have a capital worked-up sensation scene which is a sort of amalgamation of the rope feat of Hens de Fardillan in "The Hugonot Captains," and the descent of Harry Kestrel in "The Peacock and the Object of his Affection," the ruffianly band rangers of a wandering female, which female turns out to be a London milkmaid, the sweetheart of Tom, who appears to have gone to Australia for no other reason than the being rescued in this way. This scene brought down the act drop with *clat* and secured a tremendous call for the principals. The acting generally of the whole up to the requirements of the various parts, the most meritorious efforts being the Mary Primrose of Miss Rosalind Beckett, the Julie of Miss Julia Kemble, the Jew of Mr. H. Dudley, and the Tom Collins of the manager, Mr. W. R. Waldron. Mr. Waldron was several degrees too gentlemanly for a "Street Arab," but, nevertheless, the personation was impressive. Miss Rosalind Beckett's acting was marked by much vivacity and point. Miss Julia Kemble's pathos in the part of Joe was equally praiseworthy and effective. And the quaint and humorous acting of Mr. H. Dudley, as the Jew, drew frequent and deserved recognition from the audience. Fitzgibbon, Mildred, Hearsham, and the other characters were well acted by Mr. Frank Allen, Harry Maydow; and Mr. Hammond, John Hardman. Other members of the company who took part in this and the following piece, "The Wicklow Boys," were Messdames Lawrence Smythe, Desborough, and Volmar, and Messrs. G. Peel, H. Lynn, Fred. Beckett, Lever, H. Linn, and Henry. The management of this house has been marked by the exuberance of the actors in far as it is the form of an intermittent indulgence in whistling between the acts. The combined efforts of this part of the audience were ear-piercing to a really annoying extent.

LONDON MUSIC HALLS.

OXFORD.—This hall, from the first one of the most beautiful in the metropolis, has lately been re-decorated, the effect being exceedingly brilliant. The entertainments continue to be of a decidedly high class character, and to attract the best audiences. The "selections," as we have said, are of the first rank in the management of the management, and the three given nightly, while they redound to the credit of the numerous artists engaged, foremost among whom are Misses Russell, Barrie, Tyrell, Walsley, and Fitz-Henry, and Messrs. St. Alban, Tivoli, Evans, Williams, and Husk, and of the able conductor, Mr. F. Jonghens. The character for the season is a new and original drama, called "Music Hall Legitimacy," acquired by this hall long ago. The operatic selections now given are "Tromba-a-ca-zar," by Offenbach, "Macbeth," by old Matthew Locke, and alternations of Adolph Adam's "If I were King," and Plow's "Martha." Burardo has just concluded his highly successful first engagement in London, and proceeds, we believe, to the provinces. His performance has been so successful, he has testified to before, in the highest degree wonderful, but at the same time it is tedious, and unless the spectator is at a great distance from the stand, the protracted starting up is calculated for cricking his neck. Messrs. Davies and Durian have the lighter element all to themselves, and are really extremely droll. They point too, upon the topics of the day with ready wit, and so contrive to be always new. A rigorous story illustrative of the Hyde Park disturbances, the gist of which was that the police had no right to keep the people out of the parks, produced on the night of our visit quite a demonstration of applause, was justly and sufficiently counter demonstration of hisses for the sufficiency. An accident to one of the two artists, Persival and O'Rourke, has compelled their withdrawal for the present. Their place may be said to be in some sort occupied by Mons. Battaille, a French Hercules. Mr. Marshall, a relic of the "Enchanted Hush," as he himself puts it, has a comic entertainment that, besides showing his personal good points, and the good points of his partner, is a contribution in the esteem of the Oxford audience; and the similarly old favourite, Mr. Drew Dean, in his flute solo, is also well received as ever.

METROPOLITAN.—The ballet "The Haunt of the Naiads," after a run of over 100 nights, has been withdrawn, and a new comic ballet has been produced in its stead. The new ballet is called "The Dancing Lesson," and is a very original and amusing production. Of this, which represents the Grand Canal of Venice, we may say that it is well designed, but somewhat coarsely coloured. Its unravelling, however, elicited much applause, and this resolved itself into a hearty call for the artist, who, responding in a very modest manner, was summoned to sing again before the curtain. The Brothers Dal, the jugglers of the old ball and dagger school have just concluded an engagement of several weeks duration. Their performances are clever within their rather limited range. Other of the late additions to the programme are "Jolly Nash," the Sisters Chambers, Mr. Ernest Fox, and Joe Lund. Mr. Nash's laughing song, epitome of the most successful taste of at least one of them, would move a stone to laughter. His "I'm not at all inquisitive," however, is an excellent song and capital given. Mr. Ernest Fox sings the new song "I will stand by my friend." These and the other ballets and the "Great Lizard" make up an entertainment that suffices to attract crowded audiences to this large hall every evening.

CREMORNE.—An arrangement has been inaugurated at these popular gardens by which the visitor will be admitted to all the varied amusements afforded on the payment of a single shilling. That is, the admission to the gardens will be as heretofore one shilling, and another shilling will suffice for the purchase of a ticket admitting to everyone of the hitherto separately priced entertainments. Mlle. Victoria, a very graceful and dashing rope, or rather wire walker, amongst the latest additions to the large and varied attractions, which now also include the performance of the young E. E. Smith, the Grand Patriotic Ballet Universal, a troupe of dogs and monkeys, living pictures illuminated by coloured fires, the grand circus performances, acrobatic feats, comic ballets, old friend Buono Core, the Salamander, fireworks, and other things too numerous to mention, let alone criticism. Mr. E. T. Smith's benefit is fixed for August 16th.

EL NINO EDIE'S engagement at the Alhambra concludes its first (Saturday).

On dit that Mr. F. W. Robertson has another new comedy ready for the Prince of Wales's Theatre.

Benedict's new cantata to be produced at the Norwich Festival is titled "The Legend of St. Cecilia." Mr. Henry F. Chandler has supplied the words.

Mr. Elliot Galer, Miss Fanny Reeves, and Madame Jenny Baer produced with an operatic company on a tour through Scotland.

CRICKET.

We shall be glad to receive any notices of matches to come off, which, when played, shall have every attention at our hands, and, as a matter of course, be forwarded to our readers as early as possible.

I ZINGARI v. GENTLEMEN OF NORFOLK.
This match, played at Gunton Park, the picturesque seat of Lord Suffield, was concluded on Saturday, and was won easily by Norfolk. Score:—

I ZINGARI		2nd inn.	
Hon. T. De Grey, M.P., c Wilkins b	4	c Law b Breton	15
Rev. H. Lubbock b Wright	12	c Ash b Breton	10
W. F. Maitland, run out	11	c Wright	19
Rev. H. H. Holley b Breton	10	c Cooke b Wright	3
Ed. A. Fitzgerald, Esq., b Tiltard	4	c Wright b Wright	3
E. L. Fellows, Esq., c Cooke b	7	c Wilkins b Wright	4
Lord Skelmersdale c Wright	15	c Ash b Breton	10
Captain Arkwright c Cotterell b	8	c Asst b Wright	5
Breton	3	c Asst b Wright	5
Hon. W. Coke b Breton	17	c Asst b Wright	5
Vincent Bury b Wright	10	c Asst b Wright	5
W. Baring, Esq., c Gordon b Wright	0	c Asst b Wright	5
Lord Reddish, run out	0	c Asst b Wright	5
B. I. b 4, w 3	2	c Asst b Wright	5
Total	90	Total	90

NORFOLK		2nd inn.	
Mr. H. Upcher c Fellows b	6	Mr. E. T. Ash b Maitland	180
Arkwright	6	Mr. K. Tiltard b Maitland	24
Captain R. S. Baggio c De	2	Mr. R. T. Gordon b Maitland	24
Grey b Arkwright	9	Mr. P. F. Law b Maitland	1
Rev. C. Cooke c and b Capt.	2	Mr. J. S. Mott b Maitland	1
Arkwright	2	Mr. C. Wright not out	1
Rev. E. Cotterell b Maitland	27	B. I. b 1, w 3	11
Rev. E. Wilkins c Lubbock b	9	Total	253
Maitland	9	Total	253

At the conclusion of the above a single wicket match was played between Lord Skelmersdale and the Hon. T. De Grey, which excited a good deal of interest. The Rev. H. Lubbock, and Captain Arkwright fielded. Score:—

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Lord Skelmersdale c M.P. b De Grey	6	c and b De Grey	12
Hon. T. De Grey, M.P., b Skelmersdale	3	c not out	16
Total	9	Total	16

NORTH DOWN O.C. v. BELFAST O.C.
This match was played on the grounds of the former, at Comber, on Saturday, July 21st, and resulted in a victory for the North Down. Subjoined is the score:—

BELFAST		2nd inn.	
Lindsay run out	2	run out	8
C. Morgan b Rogers	16	b Braithwaite	1
M. Blaney b Rogers	0	b Braithwaite	0
F. Mornie b Rogers	0	b Braithwaite	0
H. Jenkins b Rogers	1	b Braithwaite	0
W. Webster run out	3	c and b Braithwaite	1
T. Mornie c Rogers	3	c Rogers	3
T. Mansfield b Rogers	3	c and b Braithwaite	3
A. Houston b Rogers	0	c and b Braithwaite	4
A. Foxhall b Braithwaite	3	c not out	4
J. Rafferty not out	1	b w b Rogers	4
Extras	—	Extras	—
Total	60	Total	21

NORTH DOWN		2nd inn.	
J. Frame b Lindsay	10	b w b Lindsay	0
J. Andrews, jun., b Lindsay	0	not out	2
C. Andrews c Mornie b Lindsay	0	not out	16
J. J. Braithwaite c Blaney b Lindsay	0	b w b Lindsay	0
J. Andrews, sen., b Lindsay	0	c Rogers	0
T. Rogers b Walker	0	b Lindsay	0
H. Cook run out	2	b Lindsay	0
J. M. Dowell b Webster	8	b Houston	1
J. J. Andrews not out	18	run out	0
W. Shean run out	0	run out	0
R. Menagh c Blaney b Lindsay	6	run out	0
Byes, &c.	1	Byes, &c.	6
Total	50	Total	32

FORD CLUB v. MONKWEARMOUTH AND FULWELL CLUB.

FORD CLUB		2nd inn.	
G. Oliver c Foster b Redfern	1	c b Foster	1
W. Watson c Hetherington	1	run out	6
J. Leighton b Redfern c Foster	1	c Spencer	3
J. Thompson b Redfern leg out	1	c Spencer	3
J. A. London run out	8	c Spencer	6
S. Giles c Sanderson	0	c Redfern b Foster	1
J. Douglas b Redfern not out	4	run out	2
M. Seymour c Foster	0	c Foster	1
A. Parker b Redfern b Foster	0	c Hetherington	7
T. Reay b Redfern	0	c Redfern run out	1
R. Oliver b Redfern	1	c Sparks b Redfern	1
B. I. b 3, w 3	8	B. I. b 7, w 3	20
Total	33	Total	60

MONKWEARMOUTH AND FULWELL CLUB.

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
R. Spencer b London	6	b Giles	2
R. Foster c Seymour	20	run out	6
S. Redfern b Giles leg out	11	b London	14
Walker b Giles	0	c Watson b London	8
Cole b Giles	0	b London	0
O. Ditchburn b Giles	0	b London	0
W. Sparks b London	0	c Seymour b London	1
W. Hetherington b London	0	b London	0
A. Gibson b Giles	0	not out	1
J. Allen b London	0	c Parker b Giles	1
R. Sanderson not out	4	leg out	—
Total	49	Total	42

CROYDON v. BRIGHTON.
This return match was played on Saturday, July 21, at Duppatt Hill, Croydon, between eleven workmen of the Brighton & Croydon Railway and eleven of Brighton in the same department. After the match was over the players went to the Rose and Crown, where a beautiful dinner awaited them. The following is the score:—

BRIGHTON		2nd inn.	
G. Obbard c Roberts b Robinson	2	b Stent	4
W. Dummer c Bowhall b Stent	3	c and b Simpson	47
J. Cogan h w b Robinson	0	c Stent	12
Martin run out	0	c Simpson	19
Roy c Best b Stent	2	b Simpson	6
Box c Jones b Robinson	0	b Simpson	6
Sheppard c and b Stent	0	b Simpson	3
Ball b Robinson	7	c Howell b Stent	2
Tennell not out	2	c Simpson b Stent	2
White c Simpson b Robinson	0	c Stent	0
Total	10	Total	97

BRIGHTON		2nd inn.	
Parton c Bowhall b Robinson	0	not out	0
B. I. w 5	6	run out	7
Total	46	Total	91

BUCKNALL v. NOTTINGHAM.
This match was played on the Recreation Grounds at Bucknall, and resulted in a victory for the Bucknall club on the first innings with 44 runs to spare, this being the second time they have beaten the Nottingham club this season. The following is the score:—

BUCKNALL		2nd inn.	
W. Haddenham, sen., b Wharmby	0	b Ball	14
W. Haddenham, jun., b Wharmby	0	c Ball b Wharmby	0
S. Door 1 b w b Ball	30	c Wharmby b Ball	49
W. A. Scott b Ball	42	c Ball b Wharmby	16
R. Butler b Ball	10	c Ball b Wharmby	3
W. Marlow b Wharmby	5	b Ball	8
T. Holesworth b Charlton	15	b Ball	8
H. Daws c Harris b Charlton	0	not out	0
W. Clarke not out	3	b w b Wharmby	0
W. Cox 1 b w b Ball	10	c Ball b Wharmby	0
H. Beardsall b Charlton	0	b Ball	0
W. B. I. b 5	6	w b 3, b 11, b 3	17
Total	111	Total	118

NOTTINGHAM.
G. Wharmby b Haddenham
W. Charlton b Scott
G. Bramley h w b Haddenham
J. Ball run out
H. Kay b Haddenham, sen.
M. Soar b Marlow

IRONSIDES v. STONEWALLS.
This match was played at Regent's Park Cricket Grounds on Wednesday and Friday mornings last week. Score:—

IRONSIDES		2nd inn.	
W. Menago c Taylor	1	W. Crosbie c Watmore	9
F. Berry c Turner	7	D. Liffers b Watmore	2
A. Berry c Taylor	1	W. Woodhouse a Taylor	0
W. Oatley b w b Ball	10	A. J. Walker not out	23
W. Walker b Sanger	10	Extras	—
G. Menago b Sanger	20	Total	91
J. May b Sanger	2	Total	65

STONWALLS.
Total 65

OROWELL v. ALEXANDRA.
This match was played at Victoria Park on Saturday last, and resulted in favour of Orowell by eleven runs on the first innings, but time did not admit of its completion. The following is the score:—

OROWELL		2nd inn.	
G. Richardson c Beckett b	12	J. Gains not out	8
Champion	12	W. Bamford b Beckett	9
A. Simmer b Beckett	2	C. Burrows b Beckett	0
J. Haswell b Champion	1	Roberts, absent	0
W. Cooke b Beckett	0	B. I. b 2, w 1, b 1	7
H. Bamford b Champion	0	Total	57
J. Caniff run out	0	Total	57
A. Shepherd b Boyce	6	Total	57

ALEXANDRA.
run out
absent
Canniffe b Coeks
Champion c and b Richardson
Beckett c Coeks b Richardson
Boys b Gains
Gardner not out
Town b Richardson
Phillips b Richardson
Robins run out

WOODLSTONE v. ST. BRIEVELS.
This match was played at Redditch on Monday week. The following is the score:—

WOODLSTONE		2nd inn.	
G. Westaple b Price	9	b O. Hulin	1
G. Martin c Keat b Wintour	9	b O. Hulin	1
H. Davies b Price	2	b Wintour	1
E. Saloon b Wintour	30	b Wintour	3
R. Lawrence not out	34	b C. Hulin	0
J. P. Llewellyn b Wintour	2	not out	6
T. Temple b Price	0	not out	6
H. Fletcher b Price	0	b Wintour b Hulin	3
J. Harris c and b O. Hulin	0	b O. Hulin	3
J. Mallins b T. Jones	7	c Keat b C. Hulin	4
W. G. H. Sonnerat run out	1	c Jackson b O. Hulin	2
Byes 3, w 1, b 1	5	B. I. b 1, w 1	5
Total	96	Total	38

ST. BRIEVELS.
1st inn.
2nd inn.

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
W. Smith b Llewellyn	0	b Lawrence	1
C. Jackson not out	0	c and b Llewellyn	0
S. Blunt b Lawrence	3	c Salmon b Mullins	6
C. Hulin c Mullins b Lawrence	3	b Llewellyn	11
G. Parry b Llewellyn	2	run out	14
H. R. Smith b Lawrence	5	b Sweetapple	2
F. Hulin c Salmon b Lawrence	0	not out	7
J. Keat b Sweetapple	0	b Lawrence	8
G. Wintour run out	21	c Pamplin b Llewellyn	2
T. Jones run out	9	b Llewellyn	2
A. Price c Salmon b Lawrence	2	b w b Lawrence	4
B. I. w 1, b 3	15	W 4	4
Total	65	Total	62

PORTMAN (SPENCER AND HEWITT'S) v. INGRAM (CAPTAIN SON & CO'S).
This match, played at Victoria Park, was finished on Saturday, July 21, 1866, and resulted in a victory for the Portman with 8 wickets to fall.

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Baton run out	0	run out	13
Phillips b G. Jackson	9	c Holmes b G. Jackson	23

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Groves b Forder	0	run out	0
Williams c Thomas b G. Jackson	12	b Forder	1
Bryman b Forder	1	b G. Jackson	0
Bailey c Quilter b G. Jackson	0	c and b Forder	25
Taylor c West b G. Jackson	2	b Forder	1
Sweet c West b G. Jackson	1	not out	1
Blond b G. Jackson	0	b G. Jackson	0
Riches not out	0	b Forder	0
Byes 3	3	Byes 13, w 1	14
Total	28	Total	77

NICHOLSON'S UNITED v. UNITED AMATEURS.
This match was played at Tufnell Park on Saturday last, and resulted in favour of Nicholson's United with 55 runs to spare. The batting of Messrs. Gregory and Hedges was exceedingly good.

NICHOLSON'S UNITED		2nd inn.	
Gregory c Morton b Martin	56	Steel c Hedges b Turner	16
Whitehead c and b Martin	5	Harris b Wade	1
W. Barnes b Wade	1	W. Barnes b Wade	0
Turner b Steel	16	Johnson c Absolons b Furness	0
Hedges b Steel	0	T. Barnes b Wade	20
Wade b Steel	4	Martin run out	6
Hedges b Steel	17	Akers b Turner	1
Millward b Steel	0	White not out	4
Absolon c Harris b Martin	0	Ashby c Hedges b Wade	0
Pollendine b Martin	0	Morton b Wade	0
Tate not out	3	Pattinson b Wade	4
w 1, b 21, b 1	23	b 6, b 2	8
Total	125	Total	60

REFORM CLUB SERVANTS v. EAST INDIA.
This match was played at Guy's Ground, Half-moon, Putney, on Saturday, when the East India won by six wickets. Score:—

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Cross b Steele	16	run out	3
Glaxwell b Steele	0	b Helrich	4
Stevens b Steele	3	b Helrich	4
Beardmore b Steele	3	b Helrich	0
Masters run out	1	c Lane b Helrich	1
Cousins b Helrich	9	c Lane b Helrich	0
Alexander 1 b w b Helrich	3	run out	5
Roude c Holloway b Steele	4	b Helrich	2
Ward b Helrich	0	run out	2
Gaskill b Helrich	0	b Helrich	3
Danson not out	6	b Steele	7
B. I.	1	B. I. b 3, b 2	6
Total	47	Total	36

EAST INDIA.
Lane run out
Musselbrook c Masters b Cross
Steele b Gladwell
Holloway c Cross
Helrich c and b Gladwell
Hemmesley c Gaskill b Gladwell
Hodgeson b Cross
Skelton not out
Miller b Gladwell
Leonard b Gladwell
Robins run out
Byes, &c.

BLIXWORTH VILLAGE v. SCALDWELL CLUB.
Blixworth.

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Wood b W. Langley	13	c Andrews	13
A. Watkins b W. Langley	0	c Andrews b Fitzhugh	14
J. Watkins b W. Langley	5	b Andrews	0
Cattell c Langley b Greaves	3	b Langley	18
Roake b Brown	17	c Andrews b Greaves	11
Tired b Langley	6	run out	6
Firr b Langley	0	c Fitzhugh	0
Cattion a Andrews b Brown	5	c and b Langley	2
W. Elworthy b Brown	0	not out	4
J. Elworthy run out	8	b Langley	0
Burges not out	3	c Andrews	3
B. I. w 3	4	B. I. w 1, b 1	7
Total	48	Total	78

SCALDWELL.
1st inn.
2nd inn.

1st inn.		2nd inn.	
Andrews b A. Watkins	0	b Roake	6
Walton c Cattell b J. Watkins	1	b Roake	3
Brown b A. Watkins	0	not out	18
Fitzhugh b A. Watkins	0	run out	5
Maycock b J. Watkins	5	b Roake	6
Greaves b J. Watkins	0	b Roake	3
Langley c W. Elworthy b J. Watkins	0	b Roake	3
Stokes not out	7	b Roake	21
Rames b Roake	1	c A. Watkins b Roake	1
Bottom b Roake	0	run out	0
Hardwick b Roake	0	b w b Roake	2
B. I. w 4	6	B. I. w 1	2
Total	22	Total	55

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2	Mapp b Shorthouse	1	b Smith	0
0	Masters b Smith	0	b Shorthouse	3
0	F. Homming c Hobbs b Shorthouse	30	b Shorthouse	0
0	J. Warren b Smith	2	not out	18
1	Swan b Smith	1	b Smith	0
4	C. Smith c Smith b Shorthouse	6	b Smith	0
1	W. Lane C. H. Kimberby b Shorthouse	6	b Shorthouse	0
32	E. Warren not out	3	hit wicket	3

W. Lane C. H. Kimberby	b	Shorthouse	6	b	Shorthouse	3
E. Warren	not out	3	hit wicket	3	

1	W. Waller c Shorthouse.....	0	b Smith.....	0
2	B 15, 1 b 1.....	16	B 3, 1 b 3.....	6
3	Total.....	81	Total.....	47
4	King's Norton.			
5	1st inn.			
6	Isaac Smith c Masters b Swan.....	1	b Swan.....	1
7	2nd inn.			

0	F. Haycock c J. Warren b Swan.....	0	
1	H. Kimberley l b w.....	10	
7	T. Allart b Swan.....	0	s Hill 0
1	J. Cluluee b E. Warren.....	2	
6	J. Shorthouse b E. Warren.....	0	
0	S. Smith c E. Warren b Swan.....	0	not out..... 0
1	H. Kimberley b E. Warren.....	0	
0	W. Robins b Swan.....	1	not out..... 1
2	H. Harvey b and c Webb.....	3	

A. Hobbs not out	0
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B 20, w1, l b1, n b1	33	W 4, l b1	5
Total	51	Total	7

EAST STOUR v. CANN ST. RUMBOLD.

EAST STOUR.			
W. E. Hiseock run out	8	S. Gordon c Harding b Rake	37
G. Gordon c Davey b Rake	34	E. Hiseock run out	5
C. Long b Davey	0	E. Godwin b Davey	0
R. H. Davis c Harding b	18	S. Reynolds b Davey	15
		R10 w15, h2, n b1	28

EAST STOUR v. CANN ST. RUMBOLD.

EAST STOUR.	
W. E. Hiscock run out	8
G. Gordon c Davey b Rake ..	34
C. Long b Davey	0
R. H. Davis c Harding b	
Osborne	18
Rev. W. Mills c and b Rake ..	1
S. Gordon c Harding b Rake	37
E. Hiscock run out	5
G. Godwin b Davey	0
S. Reynolds b Davey	0
B 10, w 15, 1 b 2, n b 1	28

	T. Davis net out	7	Total	147
	Rev. W. Mills c and B Rake ..	1		
	H. Bristol c George b Rake	9		
	CANN ST. RUMBOLD.			
		1st inn.	2nd inn.	
6	Rake run out	2	b S. Gordon	0
0	Gordon c Bristol b W. E. Hiscock.....	11	b S. Gordon	0
7	Osborne c Bristol b R. H. Davis.....	1	st W. E. Hiscock b S. Gordon	0

	Gordon	2
5	at 1800 ft. B. H. Davis	18

20	Sheare b R. H. Davis	4	not out	
0	Norton run out	0	c G. Gordon b S. Gordon	0
54	Davey not out	10	b W. E. Hiscock	0
0	Sheare b R. H. Davis	0	at S. Gordon b W. E. Hiscock	

5	Galpin b R. H. Davis.....	0	at S. Gordon b W. E.	0
			Hiscock	0
28	Deane c Long b R. H. Davis.....	0	b W. E. Hiscock	0
	Deane c Reynolds b W. E. Hiscock	0	c Long b W. E. Hiscock	1
n.	Stone c Long b W. E. Hiscock	0	c R. H. Davis b S. Gordon	2
	B 1, w 2, 1 b 2	6	b 1, w 1	0
14	Total	34	Total	23

BEIGATE HOLMESDALE v. GODALMING JUNIOR.

This match was played in the Reigate Priory cricket ground on Monday, July 30th, and ended in favour of the Reigate Holmesdale cricket club in one innings and 71 runs. The batting and fielding of Reigate was very good. Score:—

REGATTE HOLMESDALE	
9	Farrington c and b Farley..... 9
9	A. Buckland b w, b Farley..... 60
22	J. Legg and b Cesar..... 60
22	Dove run out, b Bland..... 45
22	Easton b w, b Bland..... 45
22	Apted c, O. Smith b H..... 4
14	E. Walker..... 4
14	E. Buckland b Farley..... 5
	Bartenshaw c Walter b Bland 13
	Bartlett c, Cesar b Bland..... 0
	Carden c Chamberlain b Bland..... 0
	E. Legg not out..... 30
	B. S. w 11, b 10, n b 1..... 30
	Total179

39 GODALMING JUNIOR. 1st inn. 2nd inn.

74	H. Walker b Farrington	10	c Apted b Dove	0
	Prosser c Apted b Easton	0	b A. Buckland	6
	Swansborough b Easton	0	c Easton b A. Buckland	0
	Richards b Easton	4	c Apted b Dove	27

Richardson	0	c Dove b A. Buckland	12
Black b Easton	10	c Carden b Dove	20
Chamberlain b Farrington	3	c E. Legg b A. Buckland	0
Farley b Easton	7	c E. Buckland b Dove	4
Walker c and b Farrington	0	c Carden b Dove	2
Smith run out b Easton	1	not out	2
Gardiner not out	1	c Easton b A. Buckland	0
R.I. w.l.	2		

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THE CANTERBURY WEEK.—This, "the grand week" of the cricket season, commences on Monday next, August 6, at Canterbury. The following were the selected players for the opening match:—

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Grundy, T. Harma. Howitt, Alfred Shaw, and Votto. South: F.
M. Grace, Esq., W. G. Grace, Esq., A. Lubbeck, Esq. Bennett, Griffith.
T. Humphrey, Jupp, Lillywhite, Pooley, H. N. Stephenson, and
Willsher.

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W. H. Benthall, Esq., Captain Fyfe, E. M. Grace, Esq., W. M. A.
Esq., R. Lipscombe, Esq., and H. W. Wathen, Esq., M. O. C. Malet, Esq., M. A. C.
Troughton, Esq., and Saturday, August 10 and 11.—M. O. C. GENTLEMEN
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2 combe, Esq., A. Lubbock, Esq., W. Meers, Esq., — Money, Esq., —
3 Rodger, Esq., M. A. Troughton, Esq., and W. H. Wathen, Esq.
0 The band of the Cavalry Depot (by the kind permission of Colonel

19 Teush Heckens and the band of the East Kent Militia (by the killing
0 permission of Colonel Deedes) will play on the ground during the
0 week.
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0 There will be the usual grand county balls on the Wednesday night
4 at the Music Hall, and on Friday night at St. George's Hall.
7 Amateur theatricals, by the "Old Stagers" (their twenty-fifth
8 season), on the evenings of Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
1 VICTORIA UNITED V. CRYE UNITED.—This match was played at
ty Cobourn-road, Bow, on Saturday last, and resulted as follows:—Victoria

United—Hadfield 0 5, Hillier 1 0, Johnson 2 4, Hardy 1 0, W. Ryder 2 0, Walters 6 14 T. Tilbury 0 2, E. Ryder 3, Jeffcoate 1 1, W. W.

Rainsford (not out) 2, Westlake 0, byes, &c., 15 11; total 64 33. City
United—Higgins 20, Clark 8, Ladbroke 2, Jones 2, Beedell 5, Gibbs
2, Robottom 2, Carter 0, Pinketon (not out) 0, Stoke 0, Cooper 0
byes, &c. 5: total 46. In the second innings of Victoria 33 runs

inn. 8
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were scored with the loss of four wickets, Mr. Walters being not out with 14.

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Hill b Smith	15	Shortness
C. Webb run out.....		Smith

